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Mr. Scott M. Denton
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**RE: APPROVAL WITH MODIFICATIONS
2019 FACILITY-WIDE GROUNDWATER
MONITORING WORK PLAN, JUNE 2019
HOLLYFRONTIER NAVAJO REFINING LLC - ARTESIA REFINERY
EPA ID NO. NMD048918817
HWB-NRC-20-001**

Dear Mr. Denton:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has completed its review of HollyFrontier Navajo Refining LLC's, Artesia Refinery's (the Permittee) 2019 Facility-Wide Groundwater Monitoring Work Plan (2019 FWGMWP), dated June 2019. NMED hereby issues this Approval with modification.

Comment 1

The Permittee is reminded that Comment 1 of NMED's Approval with Modifications letter for the 2018 FWGMWP required additional rounds of sampling and analysis to meet the requirements of Comments 5, 6 and 8 of NMED's August 16, 2018 Disapproval letter (August 2018 Disapproval) for the Revised SWMU/AOC Group 3 Additional Corrective Action Investigation Report. There were no changes made to the 2019 FWGMWP based on NMED's Approval with Modifications letter for the 2018 FWGMWP sent on March 26, 2019. Verify that the samples and analyses required by Comments 5, 6, and 8 of the August 2018 Disapproval letter were included in the sampling events starting with the Spring 2019 event. The results will

determine whether or not the Permittee will need to continue to collect the additional samples during the facility-wide groundwater monitoring events for the subject wells in Comments 5, 6, and 8 of the 2018 Disapproval letter.

This approval is based on the information presented in the document as it relates to the objectives of the work identified by NMED at the time of review. Approval of this document does not constitute agreement with all information, or every statement presented in the document.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Leona Tsinnajinnie of my staff at (505) 476-6057.

Sincerely,



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